

REMARKS

Applicants amend as shown above and provide the remarks below in response to the outstanding Office Action.

The Office Action included obviousness rejections under 35 USC § 103 based on in whole or in part on Gaul, U.S. Patent Application 2001/0034847, and Kardach, 2002/0143845. The rejected claims are now canceled thereby rendering the rejections moot.

Applicants add new claims 95-101 to distinguish the applicants' invention from the applied prior art. For example, applicants find no teaching or suggestion in the prior art of a protection system having an encrypted database interfacing with a monitoring and capturing subsystem as described in claim 95 or a method of monitoring, checking and authorizing access to hooked functions that are called due to a memory-related action based on scrutinizing memory use as described in claim 98.

In view of the amendments and remarks above, applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowability is hereby solicited.

If for any reason it is believed that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below to discuss resolution of the remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,
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